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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

In the Claims:

The following listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

- 1-31. (Canceled).
- 32. (Currently amended) A door opener, comprising:
- a housing with an inner wall:
- a pivot latch:
- a changeover switch;
- an armature: and
- an intumescent material, <u>having an expansion temperature</u>, positioned in on the inner <u>wall of</u> the housing <u>proximate to the armature</u>; and

a plurality of free spaces disposed between the inner wall and the pivot latch, the inner wall and the changeover switch, and the inner wall and the armature.

wherein in such a way that the intumescent material fills up-volumetrically expands into the free space of the housing in the area of between the inner wall and the armature through volume-expansion and permanently embeds the armature in a locking position when the expansion temperature has been reached.

- 33. (Canceled).
- 34. (Previously presented) A door opener according to claim 32, wherein the armature is implemented as a pivot lever on a joint and is pre-tensioned using an armature spring in such a way that the armature is held in a locking position, and wherein the expanded intumescent material presses against the armature and holds the armature in the locking position independently of the action of the armature spring.

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35. (Currently amended) A door opener according to claim 34, wherein the intumescent material is positioned in an area of the free end of the armature so that the expansion pressure acts on the pivot lever of the armature.

- 36. (Currently amended) A door opener according to claim 32, wherein the further comprising additional intumescent material is positioned on the inner wall proximate to provided in free spaces inside the housing in the area of a the pivot latch and a the changeover switch, such that wherein the additional intumescent material fills up the volumetrically expands into the free spaces between the inner wall and the pivot latch, and the inner wall and the changeover switch, and blocks the movement of the affected parts pivot latch and the changeover switch when the expansion temperature has been reached.
- 37. (Previously presented) A door opener according to claim 32, wherein the intumescent material is glued to the housing wall.
- 38. (New) A door opener according to claim 32, wherein the inner wall includes a recess and the intumescent material is positioned in the recess.